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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW AND PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
BOARD OF DENTISTRY

IN THE MATTER OF

Administrative Action

RONNISE JOHNSON, R.D.A. License No. DP 00312100

CONSENT ORDER

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY

LICENSED TO PRACTICE DENTISTRY IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Dentistry ("Board") upon receipt of information that Ronnise Johnson, R.D.A. ("respondent"), had submitted false documentation concerning her continuing education to her employer. On July 10, 2002, respondent appeared without counsel at an investigative inquiry into the matter held by the Board.

Having reviewed the entire record, including the testimony of respondent at the investigative inquiry, it appears to the Board that respondent submitted three certificates to her employer representing that she had completed continuing education at a dental study club in Marlboro, New Jersey on certain dates when in fact she did not attend the courses on those dates.

These facts establish basis for disciplinary action pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (b) and (e). It appearing that respondent desires to resolve this matter without recourse to formal proceedings and for good cause shown:

IT IS ON THIS 18th DAY OF October, 2005

## HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

- 1. Respondent's license to practice as a registered dental assistant shall be and hereby is suspended effective on November 15, 2005 for a period of one year, three months of which shall be served as a period of active suspension, the remainder of which shall be stayed and served as a period of probation.
- 2 Respondent is assessed a civil penalty pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-22 in the amount of \$500 for conduct with respect to falsifying her proofs of continuing education and submitting them to her employer. Payment of the civil penalty of \$500 shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and shall be sent to Kevin B. Earle, M.P.H., Executive Director, P.O. Box 45005, 124 Halsey Street, Sixth Floor, Newark, New Jersey 07101 no later than 30 days from the entry of this Consent Order. Subsequent violations will subject respondent to enhanced penalties pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:1-25.
  - Respondent is assessed the costs of the investigation to the State in this matter in the amount of \$270.50. Payment for the costs shall be submitted by certified check or money order made payable to the State of New Jersey and submitted to the Board no later than 30 days from the entry of this Consent Order. Payment shall be sent to Kevin B. Earle, Executive Director at the address described in paragraph #2
    - 4 Failure to remit any payment as required by this Order will result in the filing of a certificate of debt.
    - 5. Respondent shall successfully complete a course in ethics which shall be completed within six months of the entry of this Consent Order. The course shall be approved by the Board

in writing prior to attendance. The course may not be counted toward the continuing education requirements for registered dental assistants for renewal of the biennial registration.

6. Respondent shall provide proof of completion of continuing education credits for the years 2000-2002. In the event respondent fails to provide such proof within 30 days of the entry of this order, the Board may impose an additional penalty of \$500 to be paid within 60 days of the entry of this order.

7. Failure to comply with any of the terms of this consent order may result in further disciplinary action.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF DENTISTRY

Bv:

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President

I have read and understand this Consent Order and agree to be bound by its terms. I consent to the entry of this Order.

Ronnise Johnson, A.D.A.

Date